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AMEMBASSY SAN JOSE

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FOR AMBASSADOR MELOY FROM MCCLINTOCK

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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR MCCLINTOCK'S TRAVEL

REF: GUATEMALA 685

1. IN LIGHT OF DIFFICULT HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS SITUATION DESCRIBED REFTEL, OUR ITINERARY WILL DEPEND ON WHEN AND WHERE (AND WHETHER) THEY ARE AVAILABLE. THE PLACES WE SHOULD LIKE TO SEE, MORE OR LESS IN ORDER OF PRIORITY, ARE THE FOLLOWING AND I WOULD BE MOST GRATEFUL IF YOU COULD FIND OUT WHICH ONES MIGHT BE FEASIBLE: GUATEMALA CITY AND ANTIGUA; TIKAL; ATITLAN AND CHICHICASTENANGO; COPAN (HONDURAS); QUIRIGUA AND RIO DULCE.

2. I UNDERSTAND THAT THE FAIRCHILD F-27 TURBOPROP AIRCRAFT COULD GET US IN AND OUT OF TIKAL AND POSSIBLY COPAN, AND PRESUME THAT OTHER TRAVEL WOULD HAVE TO BE IN RENTAL AUTOMOBILES.

3. WE COULD ARRIVE GUATEMALA CITY ON APRIL 6 TO SPEND THREE OR FOUR DAYS, WITH THE BALANCE OF THE WEEK IN SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA. WE COULD REVERSE THIS ORDER IF THE ACCOMMODATIONS PROBLEM WERE MORE EASILY SOLVED THAT WAY. PARTY WILL NOW CONSIST OF SIX (REPEAT SIX) COUPLES. TWO EXTRA GUESTS ARE MR AND MRS HARRY MANNIL, WHO
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HAVE A HACIENDA IN COSTA RICA AND ARE WELL KNOWN

HERE AS AMATEUR ARCHEOLOGISTS.
MCCLINTOCK

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